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MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate
Tuesday, March 5, 2002
UU220, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

- I. Minutes: The minutes for the Academic Senate meetings of January 22, February 12, and February 19, 2002, were approved without change.
- II. Communications and Announcements: Business item D will be the first business item to be considered. Handout from CFA president Phil Fetzer on tentative contract agreement, which is available on the back table, will be referred to when he makes his report.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Menon) Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee has decided to provide special support for bottleneck courses in GE and Support Areas to assist student with availability and access to classes.
 - B. President's Office: None.
 - C. Provost's Office: (Zingg) The fact finder report is now available for review and is a mixed report filled with points of merit and lack of merit. The budget will provide about 9.3% increase to SSIs and 2.65% to GSIs and additional compensation to department heads/chairs' base salary. Counselors will be moved to the faculty salary structure. There is only 3% identified to fund the 9.3% so there are questions on the status of the state budget, which we learned has a 5% error in the negative. The question to consider is what items need to be cut in order to fund increases.
 - D. Statewide Senators: None.
 - E. CFA Campus President: (Fetzer) A tentative agreement was reached over the weekend in Los Angeles on the contract that we have been working on for many months. The report from the negotiating team was unanimous supported by the negotiating team, all the chapter presidents, and all state board members. Even though there are some areas that are less than ideal, the overwhelming consensus was that this is a good settlement and the objectives that the bargaining team put out compared to the achievement were substantial. Copies of the contract will be made available within a day or two in the CFA office in building 38, room 141. All faculty are invited to attend a question and answer faculty forum, which will be held on March 13 in building 52 room E27 from 4-5pm. The areas of concern include the lack of retroactive GSI due to the finite amount of money available, lecturer health benefits and counselor parity, and achieving SSIs. (Foroohar) Bargaining started about a year ago with two sets of goals. One of those goals being monetary support of GSI, SSI, and the other an increase in salary for department chairs. In addition, CFA was very serious about trying to stop the erosion of the entire state system, which creates major problems including the hiring and retention of new faculty because of low salary and high workload. Keeping the SSI was crucial for the bargaining team. From the very beginning the entire team was unanimous in agreement, that we would not sign an agreement without SSI. Trying to find job security for lecturers was also important to the bargaining team and a very important achievement was that FMI is gone even for SSI. The Chancellor's offer from the very beginning was 2% GSI this year nothing else and for next year a possible 1% if we don't get budget cuts at the May revise. The bargaining team

felt that it was more important, at this time, to add to the base salary and to take the loss of the past 9-months of the 2% GSI.

F. ASI Representatives: None.

G. Other: None.

IV. Consent Agenda: None.

V. Business Items:

- A. **Resolution on Name Change for Extended Studies:** Parks, Dean for Extended Studies, second reading. This resolution requests a name change for Extended Studies to better reflect the programs currently being offered. M/S/P to approve the following amendment presented by Hood:

RESOLVED: The College of Continuing Studies shall meet with Curriculum Committee at least once a year to discuss relevant policy and curriculum issues and the College of Continuing Studies shall submit an annual report on such issues to the Academic Senate.

M/S/P to table discussion until the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee/Chair, David Conn, and Dennis Parks meet to discuss the procedure for senate oversight of courses.

- B. **Resolution on Academic Integrity, Program Accountability, and 180 Units for Degree:** Hannings, chair of the Curriculum Committee, second reading. This resolution requests that each program undertake a self-review of their curriculum and provide justification for a baccalaureate requiring more than 180 units. There was no second to move the resolution, therefore it failed.
- C. **Resolution on Process for Change of Major:** Breitenbach, chair of the Instruction Committee, second reading. This resolution offers a uniform process for students to change major. The following friendly amendments was made by Senator Brown to page 20 of *Process for Change of Major*

Minimum Requirements

An application for internal change of major will not be considered until/unless a student:

1. has completed at least one quarter at Cal Poly;
2. ~~has a minimum of a 2.0 grade point average in the target major's prefix and/or support courses;~~
and
3. ~~is not presently on academic probation.~~

Friendly amendment by Senator Greenwald:

Process for Admitting Students to Target Major

Depending on the degree of impaction of the target major (i.e., the relationship between the number of applicants to the major and the number of places available), decisions on admitting students who wish to change major will be made by one or other of the following processes. Each major will publicize in advance which process it is using.

1. Applicants will be evaluated against published performance criteria. Those who meet the criteria will automatically be admitted to the major and will be so notified prior to the start of the next course registration period; OR
2. Applicants meeting published minimum performance criteria will be considered in a competitive process for acceptance into a limited number of available spaces in the major. ~~One or two firm dates each year will be set for making and notifying students of admissions decisions; these dates will be announced in advance.~~ For an applicant meeting the minimum published criteria and admissions decision shall be made within 10 weeks of time submitted excluding summer.

Discussion will continue at next week's Academic Senate meeting.

- D. **Resolution on Proposed New Degree Program for Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership:** Hannings, Chair of the Curriculum Committee/Konopak, Dean for UCTE, first reading. This resolution approves the proposal for a joint Doctor of Education in education Leadership degree with University of California at Santa Barbara. The resolution was moved to a second reading at the next meeting.
- E. **Resolution on Name Change for Environmental Horticultural Science and Crop Science Departments:** Due to lack of time, this item was forwarded to the next Academic Senate meeting.
- F. **Resolution to Change the Bylaws of the Academic Senate Section III.B.8.(b):** Due to lack of time, this item was forwarded to the next Academic Senate meeting.

VI. Discussion Item(s):

VII. Meeting recessed until next Tuesday at 3:00 pm.

Submitted by,



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